(iv) The user rights will be available with the airline that takes over the aircraft only till such time that the infrastructure concerned is under actual use. If the airlines that takes over the aircraft does not use the concerned infrastructure, it will loose the user rights over the infrastructure.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) Does not arise.

Construction of Airport at Kannur

1487. SHRI K. CHANDRAN PILLAI: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the proposal for the construction of an airport at Kannur is pending with Government;

(b) whether the Nodal Agency has since submitted the Techno-Economic-Feasibility Report;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) whether necessary sanctions have been accorded to the project with the details thereof; and

(e) the present status of the project?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) to (e) A proposal of the Government of Kerala for the construction of an airport of international standards at Kannur in Kerala is being examined by the Government.

Modern Navigation System

1488. SHRIMATI N.P. DURGA: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Airports Authority of India (AAI), in collaboration with the Ministry of Space, is developing a modern navigation system over the Indian air space;

(b) if so, the details of the new navigation system and how is it different/helpful from the existing one;

(c) whether the system is a satellite-based one or is going to be on the lines of CAT-III ILS; and

(d) how the modern navigation help flights to land in near zero visibility conditions?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Airports Authority of India (AAI) in collaboration with Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO) is in the process of developing a space Based Augmentation System called as Geo Aided GPS Augmented Navigation (GAGAN) for augmentation of the performance of core GPS over the India airspace. The coverage of ground based conventional navigation aids is limited by line of sight. Satellite-based system would be able to extend the coverage over the foot print of Geo-stationary Satellite in use.

(c) This is a Satellite based system.

(d) The modern Satellite based system is aimed at meeting the requirements of providing landing guidance upto near zero visibility.

Direct flight between Delhi and Patna

†1489. SHRI MANGANI LAL MANDAL: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that no arrangement has been made for daily direct flight of Indian between Delhi to Patna and *vice-versa*;

(b) whether the air route flight No. IC 809 and 810 of Indian has been fixed from New Delhi to Patna and from Patna to New Delhi *via* Ranchi respectively;

(c) whether the passengers have to depend on private sector's flights due to the lack of arrangement for direct flight of Indian between Patna to New Delhi and *vice-versa*; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI PRAFUL PATEL): (a) and (b) Although Indian Airlines is presently

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